Jesus challenges us to love our enemies.
What enemy do I need to stop judging and start loving?

Lord, sometimes it is so very hard to love and forgive those who hurt us.
Help me to better reflect your spirit of love and forgiveness.
Show me where I most need to work on this and grant me the strength to do so.

Amen

Dear Parents,
I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 22nd September for our Open Night. All family members are invited to this event.

FREE DRESS DAY – Thursday 24th SEPTEMBER – SPORT
(FOOTBALL) THEME –GOLD COIN DONATION
Children are invited to wear appropriate free dress (no thongs or offensive t-shirt slogans, etc) on Thursday 24th September for a Gold Coin Donation OR a can of SPAM to Catholic Charities. Thank you for your support.

A reminder that Friday 25th September is a Pupil Free Day and there will be no school on that day.

STAFF CHANGE OF GRADES
At this time of the year many parents and children are interested in their teachers and what is happening for the following year. As yet there has been no formal decision as to which staff member will be teaching which grade in 2016. However, all teachers in schools are requested to change grades, every few years, as this is a part of their professionalism. In schools, like our own, this means that some children may have a teacher that they have had in a previous year. This is unavoidable and most children look forward to the excitement of the new grade. (So does the teacher) If any parent has any concerns, they are welcome to place these concerns in writing to Mr. Fontaine.

God Bless

Mr. Sam Fontaine
Principal

VISION STATEMENT
St Andrew’s CPS offers an education that acknowledges, respects and nurtures the uniqueness of each person.
Within a framework of Catholic values and teamwork, the students will be challenged and supported to recognise their gifts and develop their potential as they learn and contribute to their community.
# SCHOOL NEWS

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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Happy Birthday to those children who are celebrating their birthday soon….


**SUPPORT A READER AT ST ANDREW’S IN 2016**

*WANTED! Adults who have a love of reading and want to share the joy!*

*Support A Reader* is a volunteer based program that trains parents and members of the community as ‘tutors’, to give children, who need additional assistance with reading, the opportunity to read regularly with a supportive adult on a one to one basis. Tutors are trained to give explicit support to assist children’s reading development.

We are seeking volunteers who may be interested in becoming tutors in 2016 and who could spare a small amount of time each week to listen to children in the Junior Primary.

To become a tutor, you will need to attend a one hour training session in Term Four. The session would also be of benefit to all parents of beginning readers, even if you are unable to become a tutor. Further details will be provided early next term.

*Emma Greaves - Literacy Coordinator*
You and your family are invited to
St. Andrew’s Catholic Primary School
OPEN NIGHT AND BOOK FAIR
in celebration of St. Andrew’s School and Catholic Education.
Tuesday 22nd September, 2015
3:00pm – 5:00pm

Come and visit all of the classrooms and see the wonderful
work that your children have been doing.
The Kindergarten will also be open.
The school library will be open until 5:00pm.
Families will be able to purchase items from the Book Fair.

Please don’t be late and leave enough time to enjoy the activities to avoid
disappointment.

All family members are invited to attend our Open Night and Book Fair. ACTION PLAN for
attendees to our Open Night Book Fair are:

1. Arrive at school early enough to enjoy all of the activities and displays available.
2. Classrooms will open at 3:00pm sharp.
3. Proceed to your child/rens classrooms.
4. Allow your child to host you and guide you to all of the activities and displays of their
   work and achievements.
5. In your child’s classrooms you are welcome to look at all of the work on display all
   around the room.
6. You are welcome to look through all of your child’s books, which will be located on
   their desk. (You are not permitted to look through other children’s books)
7. Positive encouraging comments go a long way!
8. Talk openly and honestly about the standard of work achieved.
9. Do not turn the meeting with your child’s teacher into a parent/ teacher interview. This
   is not the time or the place.
10. Please do not compare the children within your family and their standard of work.
11. Try not to compare your child’s work with another in the same class.
12. Walk around the room and look and talk about the work on display.
13. Look through everything and maintain your interest.
14. Let your child dialogue with you about their work and talk to them about areas of
    interest.
15. You are invited to the School LIBRARY for the BOOK FAIR. You will be able to
    purchase a variety of good literature at very reasonable prices. Mrs Di Cesare and
    Mrs Parody will be in attendance to assist you. LIBRARY Closes at 5:00pm
    SHARP.
16. You should visit the classrooms older than your child’s current class so
    that they can gauge some of the work requirements for future years and
    some of the things to look forward to.
17. If time permits you are welcome to visit the rest of the school.

(Parents should note that your children have been instructed as to this
action plan to enjoy all of the offerings of the night.)

As a staff, we hope that you enjoy this event!
We have been learning about Biological Sciences. Here are some scientific facts we would like to share with you:

Both plants and animals can become fossils. – Samuel
Dinosaurs were once living things. – Priscilla
Amphibians are a type of creature that can go on both land and water. – Ella
Cats are mammals like us and they give birth to live kittens. – Harry
Humans are classified as vertebrates because we have a backbone. – Oliver
Bones from animals turn to fossils easier than plants. – Diarmuid
Fossils form over many millions of years. – Grace
Classification of animals is grouping creatures with similar features. – Charlotte T
There are many different classifications for animals. – Hayley
Tyrannosaurus Rex was known as the King of the dinosaurs. – Tristan
Some animal skeletons will turn into fossils. – Katie.
All living things grow, eat and reproduce. – Steven
A Venus Fly Trap uses flies for energy and growth. – Charlotte D
Animals with backbones are vertebrates, those without are invertebrates. – Jeswin
We found lots of once living things in our school bushland area. – Savannah
I learned that some fossils could be millions of years old. – Catherine
A once living thing used to be alive, now it is dead. – Jai
Dogs are vertebrates like humans. – Kaitlyn
Dinosaurs are classified as herbivores, carnivores or omnivores. – Kai
Plants need sun, soil and nutrients to grow and survive. – Jayde
Farmers learnt that chopping down all the trees is not good for the soil. – Ryder
Reptiles, snake and lizard skin is very different to human skin. – Isabel
Spores help some plants to reproduce. – Cassie
Dogs are vertebrates like humans. – Kaitlyn
Frogs and toads have slimy skin and are amphibians. – Asha
Living things breathe, reproduce and give out waste. – Trinity
Non - living things can’t move and they don’t breathe. – Luke
Reptiles are covered with scales. – Deegan
Dogs are mammals and give birth to puppies. – Dylan